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SUBJECT: HOSTSHIP 1979 WORLD FOOD COUNCIL

REF: STATE 40676

1. MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ECONOMIC DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS
INFORMED EMBASSY ECON COUNSELOR THAT THEY HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF
NIGERIA'S HOSTING OF 1979 COUNCIL MEETING AND SUGGESTED THAT
EMBASSY CHECK WITH MINAGR.

2. AGATT CONFERRED WITH AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER MAFENI WHO
STATED THAT HE HAD APPROVAL FROM SUPREME MILITARY COUNCIL AND
HEAD OS STATE TO HOST 1979 MEETING IN LAGOS. HOWEVER, HE
PERSONALLY BELIEVES THAT NIGERIA DOES NOT HAVE THE CAPABILITY
TO DO A GOOD JOB. MAFENI WOULD MUCH PREFER THAT US HOST
CONFERENCE. TOWARDS THIS END HE WILL AGAIN SPEAK TO HEAD OF
STATE OBASANJO TO OBTAIN CLEARANCE TO SUPPORT US AND WITHDRAW
NIGERIAN OFFER. IF HE RECEIVES OBASANJO'S CONCURRENCE HE WILL
THEN SPEAK TO US REPRESENTATIVE UNOFFICIALLY IN MEXICO BEFORE
MEETING CONVEENE'S. AND ADVISE HIM OF FMG POSITION.

3. WE WILL TRANSMIT INFORMATION AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.
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